Sitka, Alaska,
Nov. 3, 1897.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

I am pleased to know of your safe arrival at home but I can assure you that I was disappointed because you did not stop here.

If Mr. Kelly has already written to you, then you know that I am girl's teacher and am to occupy the position until first of January. Although I did not quite like the idea substituting again this year but I knew that Mr. Kelly was puzzled about the work and if he thought me capable of the

he is so considerate kind and willing to help both Flora and I at any time.

I wished to see you so much in regard to my brother, the one in Everett. Aunt Mary died a month ago and he now boards with his cousins. With the expense of board and clothes it is too much for me. Then it would be better to send him to Carlisle because if he should not turn out just as I expect then no certain individual would feel badly and disappointed. So many of the children from here do not amount to much and I know that it is discouraging after spending

during this work, I accepted willingly and used it to work. It was a great disappointment to the girls who have had the work and to this government so nicely, but this government will do the good I think, and the boy will learn how too. Tell Willie I have taken much for his care. I should gladly pay for both but my earnings are very slim. He asked a teacher to come to teach this place but they refused and were unkind to us. They were so afraid the Indian would become civilized. It was too because they were afraid to refuse their

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so much on them. I know of friends who would gladly help him but I do not think it advisable for those reasons and I am sure you will agree with me. Please write and let me know what is the wisest plan. Capt. Pratt referred me to you.

Cold weather is upon us and the mountains are covered with fresh snow, but it rains just as naturally as ever. Hardly stops for a single day.

Dr. Wilbur is here once more but did not bring a bride as we expected. He expects to bring one in '98 or later. When he arrived the hospital

was running over with measles and the children had them in good earnest this year. I was kept busy for days and a few nights and we are quite glad once more to see them in better health and at their work. The wards were so crowded that we had to send extra beds to and place the patients in the floor every where.

I hope you are in good health also Mrs. Jackson Please remember me to her.

Very Sincerely your friend,

Olga Wilson.

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General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

1334 Chestnut Street,

REV. W. H. ROBERTS, D.D., LL.D., STATED CLERK.

Philadelphia, Nov. 4 1897

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D.C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

First of all, allow me to welcome you safely back to our beloved city of Washington. With reference to the matters referred to in your letter of Nov. 3d, I reply as follows:-

1. Suit yourself as to the Sabbath during this month that you will spend at Trenton. For instance, if it would suit your convenience to be in Trenton on the 7th, telegraph me on Friday, immediately on receipt of this letter to that effect, and I will make the necessary arrangements. I write as I do in view of the fact that you have been invited to attend the 250th Anniversary of the Westminster Standards in the City of New York. Again, if you should prefer the 21st or the 28th to the 14th, well and good. Simply notify me by return mail and I will suit my convenience to yours.

2d. Dr. Withrow is quite anxious to have the meeting of the Committee on delegates for the 7th Presbyterian Council in either New York or Philadelphia during the week beginning Jan'y 9. I happen to know that this would suit his convenience. I suppose it would not be possible to secure the attendance of the ministers on the Committee during the week beginning Jan'y 2 for that week is the Week of Prayer. Dr. Withrow hopes, however, to have a meeting of his Committee on Home Missions in New York, the week beginning Jan'y 9. It wil be necessary for me, therefore, to consult with him as to the date of the meeting during that week, if said

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date is convenient to you. Allow me however, to add that with the exception of Dr. Withrow's request, there is no reason why a meeting of the Committee on delegates for the 7th Presbyterian Council should not be held in December, February or March, as may suit your convenience, and in the city of Washington.

3. I think the Committee on the 250th Anniversary of the Standards ought to meet as soon as possible during this month, or early in December. In my opinion it would be a convenient thing to have it meet in Philadelphia, though of course as one member of the Committee I am entirely willing to suit your convenience. In view of the necessity of having sufficient time for the notification of members, I suggest that this meeting be not called until after Sunday, Nov. 28, that would put the meeting after Thanksgiving, and in the early part of December.* Of course, if you desire the meeting on Nov. 15th, as was at first suggested, it can be called.

4. Allow me to ask whether a convenient place for the meeting of these committees can be had in the city of Washington. Dr. Radcliffe has a very convenient study in my old church, the N. Y. Avenue. Allow me to suggest that I think it important to have the room chosen for the meeting centrally located.

With kindest regards to yourself and family, I am

Very truly yours,

W. H. Roberts

* Tuesday, Nov. 30, is a good day.

Department of Agriculture,
Office of the Secretary,
Washington, D.C.

November 5, 1897.

My Dear Sir:

I am pleased to hear of your return from the noble work you have been doing for the people in the far north. I will be delighted to meet you at any time. I have had preliminary reports from the other two gentlemen who went to Alaska. They are now preparing their final reports. I will be pleased to hear from you as soon as your convenience will permit.

Very truly yours,

James Wilson

Hon. Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education,
Department of the Interior.

Saxman Alaska Nov 5th 1897
Rev. Sheldon Jackson D D

Dear Sir

I have been looking for you on every Southbound steamer for the last month but have found by the papers that you have gone to washington without comeing to Southeastern Alaska so I address you at the Headquarters

The Port Gravenia people feel agrieved that they are not paid for that sidewalk lumber and are Bothering me about it I have let them have some supplies on the strength of it

The Ketchikan people continue to do everything in their power to keep the natives from comeing here and they have inlisted Rev Dr Campbell to assist them by promeeing to start a School and Episcopal Mission at Ketchikan. So the Tongass people are not comeing except a Fiew of them.

The Natives are still hunting so our School is small yet but it will fill up soon.

When I First received my appointment you and Mr Harris (the Commissioner of Education) wrote me that you wished to start an Industrial Community similar to Metlakahtla. Now you are aware that it takes Capital to start Industries Mr Duncan although he is Rich had to get a great deal of Capital other than what he and the natives could raise before he got his Industries in running Order.

I know that I am not Capable as Mr Duncan is to oversee and manage the work of a Cannery but if I had three or four hundred Dallars I would put in enough more of my own money to build a Wharf and then the natives could fish for Halibut and make a liveing while they were at home shipping them to Seattle, but now if they

ketch fish they have to take them to Kitchikan to ship and there they get more Intoxicating liquor fo them than anything else. which you know is the ruin of the Indians.

If we had a Wharf I am confident that we could have nearly all the Tongass Indians as well as the Cape Fox tribe here but as it is the Tongass tribe will not come.

I have a store and my youngest son is running it for me.

My Daughters husband is here part of the time but works at a new Gold field about 20 miles from here.

There is a shaft being sunk on a ledge 3/4 of a mile sout of Saxman and the owner says he will erect a stamp mill in the Spring.

The Country is filling up with Prospectors & Miners. and the only way to save a remnant of the natives is to gather them in a place like this where they cant get liquor and where the Young women will not come in Continual Contact with bad white men

Hopeing to hear from you soon.

I remain your Friend

J W Young

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Woman's Presbyterial Home Missionary Society,

OF NEW YORK.

Box 66 Dl. Nov 6. 97

Dear Dr Jackson

I am almost ready for this grand trip to Florida. If you can come at our Presbyterial Meeting Monday Nov 15 at

Yrs. Governor

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[illegible] when in
the city. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] allowed at all in the [illegible]

John E. Bennett,
2537 Dana St.,

Berkeley, Cal. Nov. 6th, 1897.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:- I am preparing an article for publication in the "Cosmopolitan" magazine upon the introduction of reindeer in Alaska and the success there is being had with them. I am giving as careful study of the subject as I am able and the article will be highly favorable to the undertaking and will, I hope, do full justice to those who have operated in it. I am desirous of illustrating the article as far as I can, and write to ask you if you could assist me with the loan of some photographs to that end. I have read through the two reports of yourself upon the subject which I find at the University library, and some newspaper articles; if there is any other data that you might be able to loan me I should be greatly obliged to you and would safely return them.

I feel that the subject ought to be brought into notice now considering that the country is being opened up by the gold exploitation and the reindeer will without doubt become a valuable ally to white men in their work in that country.

I should be greatly obliged to you for any assistance you can render me or for any suggestions you may make.

Very respectfully,

John E. Bennett

Colorado Springs
Nov 8th 97

My Dear Brother.

We celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Church in Colorado Springs during the week Nov 21 — 28. Since you are the actual founder & associated with the inception of work at so many Colorado points it is very earnestly desired that you can arrange to be here on or near the Sabbath of that week, at least. In the work of education we expect you travel free, but any expenses incidental to travel

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see will gladly bear. It would give me unbounded pleasure to have you in my midst. We have a united & flourishing congregation of 450 members. I have been pastor for our three years. Rev L. L. Taylor preached here. Will you let me know at your earliest convenience what you can do. You will answer & oblige

Yours truly & sincerely

C. D. B. Bryl.

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Log Cabin Presbyterian Church,
REV. J. H. CONDIT,
PASTOR.

JUNEAU, ALASKA, Nov 9 1897

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Washington D.C.

Dear Brother:

I have just written to the Board of Home Missions regarding certain conditions at Skagway and Dyea which demand attention as it seems to me.

I have recently received a letter from the Rev. R. M. Dickey a minister of the Canadian Presbyterian Church who is on his way to Dawson City but who is temporarily located at Skagway. I have also talked with a Christian man who recently came from Skagway & who is apparently well informed as to the situation.

From these sources I learn that both at Dyea and Skagway there has sprung up town of a thousand people. Many of these

stores &c. These two towns represent the beginnings of two different trails to the head waters of the Yukon. It is impossible to determine at present which route will finally be <u>the</u> way to the Yukon but it is certain that at one or the other place an important permanent town will be located. Possibly there may be a town at each place although they are but six miles apart.

The ocean steamers reach both towns wharfs with mail and supplies for the Yukon.

Now at Skagway, Rev Dickey has been laboring for some little time. Money has been subscribed & paid in for the erection of a new church building & this fall is now in process of erection. A Sunday School has been organized and a Ladies' Aid Society. There are [illegible] Sunday [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] in the [illegible]

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and two weeks ago there were over Eighty each.

Bro Keeley writes me that while the Canadian Church will doubtless be willing to care for the work for a time that they will not be able likewise wish to assume the permanent responsibility and he writes to me to ask what our church will do about it.

It does seem to me Dr Jackson that here is an open door which we ought to enter it. I am very sorry that you could not have been here this fall to visit the new field & make some arrangements for its occupancy. I must gladly have written. Perhaps you may yet be the Epiphany of Travel has permitted me. It is certainly our privilege & duty

As I understand it the agreement between the missionary boards in Hy. assigns S. E. Alaska to our care. But two years ago a Methodist brother arrived in Juneau with the intention of organizing a Methodist church here if the way was clear. We met together by a friendly and as I trust christian conference and were able to determine that it would be an ill advised proceeding to institute a new denominational work here when there are so few christians & where there is such a multitude of denominational [illegible]

[illegible]

Must be [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] bishop had not mentioned [illegible]

[illegible]

He has written for information [illegible]

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organization in the near future. He is now at Dawson, has a tent for church purposes & is evidently in the field to stay. He himself is to go in to the Yukon in the spring but a brother is to follow at that time and take up the work where he leaves it.

Now, unless we can assume the new work which is crowding itself upon us which is bound to increase in the near future it seems to me that the proper course would be to abrogate the agreement of the missionary board & let God open a way in spite of denomination & be willing to undertake Christ's work.

I suppose the Board had some wise purpose in view in [illegible] Rev Young to Dawson, but Dawson is in Canadian [illegible]

Why would it not have been better to have employed the G. at Shagwaw River rather than left the Canadian guard to the Canadian battery?

Whatever is done at Shagwaw must be done soon. We need a necessary there and if it is impossible for us to undertake any new work let us at least provide some battery of other accommodations [illegible]

Please write us as to the intention.

Mr. Hall just held our annual meeting of presbytery. The presbytery felt bound in returning you, unanimously, to the assembly. I will much fear your concurrence when I send out the actuaries of the [illegible]

pering beyond our expectations. We have our plans all but perfected for the building of a new church & manse next spring until then funds permit on hands at the beginning to commence [illegible]

I wish Dr Jackson that you could arrange to spend some time with us next Sunday. There are many matters which ought to be considered here in S.E. Alberta. We feel as if we were not in touch with the Board as we might be, Especially in fields outside of Alberta. If you, or some other representative of the Board could arrange to [illegible]

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now, I feel sure that in months
to if great value both to the
Bowie in America & the Bowie
in New York.

With kind regards from
Your Cordial sincerely Alan
Sincerely yours
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Rev. Wm. C. Roberts, D. D. } Cor. Secretaries.
Rev. D. J. McMillan, D. D. }
Mr. Harvey C. Olin, Treasurer

Mail Address of the Board and its Officers,
Madison Square Branch P. O. Box 156.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
OF THE
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156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK.

Rev. John Hall, D. D., President.
Mr. Oscar E. Boyd, Recording Secretary.
Rev. Geo. F. McAfee, Supt. School Work.

DICTATED.

November 9th, 1897.

Rev. John R. Davies, D. D.

#158 West 79th St. City.

Dear Dr. Davies;-

Dr. Holmes having resigned from the Committee of Fifteen on Synodical Sustentation appointed by the General Assembly, I hereby appoint you on that Committee in his stead and request you to serve. The Committee has been called by its Chairman, Dr. Withrow, to meet in Indianapolis, Indiana, November 11th, 1897.

Very truly yours,

Sheldon Jackson

Moderator General Assembly.

W M.

JOHN G. HEID
ATTORNEY AT LAW

JUNEAU, ALASKA, November 9th, 1897.

Doctor Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D. C.

My Dear Doctor:-

Mr. Kelly called upon me only recently and urged me to apply for the appointment for the U. S. Commissionersrip at Juneau, and gave as his reason for not wanting the office, that his conscience did not permit him to desert his post at the Mission Home at Sitka;

After consultation with a few of my near friends I cameto the conclusion that I had better apply for the U. S. Commissionership than take chances on the Attorney's office, since my home and interests are all in and about Juneau; and when considering all points I prefer to remain here.

If you will, I will ask you to go to the Attorney General's Office and withdraw all of my endorsements there, and file them with this, my application, in the Department of the Interior.

I enclose a formal order so that you can get them from the appointment clerk, since I am informed the endorsements will not be delivered, except upon an order from the person in whose favor they are filed.

Very respectfully,

John G. Heid

Will you please file my application (with Mr Johnson's Endorsements) with the appointment Clerk of the Department of ~~Justice~~ Interior, also my "withdrawal" with the Dept of Justice.

Mr. Johnson sends his letter to Secretary Bliss direct, thinking it would be more proper, than for you to hand it to him.

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General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

1334 Chestnut Street,

REV. W. H. ROBERTS, D.D., LL.D.,
STATED CLERK.

Philadelphia, Nov. 9 *1897*

Dear Bro:-

You are hereby notified that a meeting of the Assembly's Committee on the celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Adoption of the Westminster Standards will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 23 at Philadelphia, Pa., and at 9.30 A.M. Unless otherwise notified the meeting will be at the Presbyterian Building, 1334 Chestnut St. This notice is issued by direction of the Chairman.

The Committee is composed of the following members,- "Ministers, Sheldon Jackson, D.D., William H. Roberts, D.D., William T. Moore, D.D., Jere Witherspoon, D.D., S.W. Dana, D.D.; Ruling Elders,- George Junkin, LL.D., William C. Gray, LL.D., Hon. Stanton J. Peelle and Hon. Darwin R. James." Minutes 1897, p. 144.

Yours very truly,

W. H. Roberts

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OF ALASKA

HEADQUARTERS, JUNEAU, ALASKA.

JUNEAU, ALASKA, November 9th, 1897.

The Hon. Attorney General:-

Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

I desire to withdraw my application heretofore filed in your department, for the appointment to the office of United States Attorney for Alaska. All endorsements filed with you in support of my application (now withdrawn) I desire to be delivered to Doctor Sheldon Jackson, of Washington, D. C., when he calls for them.

Very respectfully,

John G. Heid

President of our Assembly

Hon. Wallace Bruce
267. Stuyvesant Ave.
Brooklyn
New York

& oblige yours very
respectfully &
Sincerely
Mrs. Wm J. Keyser

Nov. 10th 1897—

To Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Dear Sir.

I take the liberty of addressing you to ask if your engagements will permit you to leave the Capital some time in the last of February or the first two weeks in March next, & come down to Florida to give a Lecture about Alaska & your work there - before the — "Florida Chautauqua" which meets at De Funiak. I hope you will find it

in your power & that it will be agreeable also. I would not limit you as to the topics you select for a popular Lecture, but leave it to your own judgment when you get to De Funiak & see us. Any thing you can tell us will be interesting. I can not offer you any great pecuniary inducement. I can only say that we will pay all your travelling expenses & your Board at our best Hotel & we will do all in our power to make your visit pleasant.

I had the pleasure of hearing your address at the meeting of the Woman's Board in Philadelphia last year & also an introduction to you & asked if you could come out to Fla & give us a Lecture, to which you replied in the affirmative. When I reached home, I found that the Program was completed & it was too late to change it.

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Rev. Sheldon H. Jackson, D.D.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr Jackson,

You will remember that I wrote you in the Spring in regard to the drawings of the Alaskan Head Children which you showed me when I visited Washington. If they have been returned from the Nashville Centennial and you will be

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trust them to me I will guarantee to return them to you safely, and hope that I may write something to accompany them which will help the cause along.

I would like to submit as many as I can to the Editor of the magazine, & he will select those that he wishes to have reproduced.

Hoping that this will not put you to too much trouble,

I remain,

Very truly yours,

Emma R. Benjamin

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(Rec'd)

Christiansburg Mont. Co. Va.
Nov. 10th 1897

Mr. Sheldon Jackson D.D.,

Dear Sir:— I am a Presbyterian elder, from Western Pa. of Scotch-Irish extraction, living here in the S.W. part of Va. for 18 yrs. past; and who, at the time, responded, as I was able, in a small contribution, in response to your appeal for means to assist in your Reindeer enterprise in Alaska which yet Congress refused an appropriation for that purpose. I have, since then, rec'd several of your annual Rep'ts, through the U.S. commissioner of Education at Washington D.C. — and greatly rejoice in the success of your efforts in that behalf; and have read those reports from yr to yr with great interest and have handed them to ministers & other intelligent persons; desiring to interest them in this wise, philanthropic & statesman-like enterprise. The general public

however, are totally ignorant of the whole subject.

A few days since, a County paper here contained a rather lengthy article on the subject, containing much of fact, but, at the same time, many errors, as I thought, in regard to the initiation of the enterprise — almost ignoring you — saying that "Uncle Sam knew, a good thing" and had done well by us in the whole matter, &c. &c.

I felt like trying to correct its errors; and giving "honor to whom honor is due," but having given away my annual reports (think I have not yet received the latest.) I might myself fall into errors; and so have not yet written anything for the paper. But seeing a late paper that you are in Washington D.C., I lazily write this, hoping you may have some brief & succinct statement of the origin & your effort and early struggles in the matter — in an ill informed & reluctant Congress & elsewhere — Or you might further to write such an article & send it the N.Y. Weekly Tribune for publication. I would see it then, & get published in the County paper.

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IN ANSWERING THIS LETTER PLEASE REFER TO No. 7296

New York, November 10, 1897. 189

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Educational Agent for Alaska,

Washington, D.C.

dear Sir:-

We are requested by the ed itors of several papers that are supplied by us ~~wiht~~ with high-class reading matter to furnish them with additional particuiars regarding your idea of maintaining herds of reindeer at Government stations in Alaska. Will you kindly wtite giving in full your views on the matter, and stating when you expect the plans to be carried out.

The article will be printed in all the ieading papers and we ~~are~~ therefore are very anxious to have it as complete and accurate as possible. Trusting to hear from you promptly and fully in enclosed envelope, I remain,

Yours truly,

Harold Cook

Editor.

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IN ANSWERING THIS LETTER PLEASE REFER TO No. 7068.

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THE LEADING NEWSPAPERS OF UNITED STATES SUPPLIED WITH NEWS.

New York, October 23rd 1897. 189

Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

U. S. Superintendent Alaskan Schools.

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:-

We learn that your opinion as to the best way of solving the solution of transportation in Alaska is to use reindeer for this purpose. Will you kindly send us a full account of the matter, giving the reasons for your conviction that it will be best to employ reindeer, etc. Also please send us your photograph which will be returned to you. We are about to prepare an article for wide publication on the matter and would like to have the facts just as they are .

Hoping to hear from you soon and thanking you in advance, I am,

Very sincerely youes,

Harold Cook

Editor.

Woman's Presbyterial Society

.....OF....

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Presbytery of Cincinnati.

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First Tuesday of each Month, at 2 p. m.
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Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly.
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Dr. Jackson,

Mrs. Francis has been waiting eagerly for the first tidings of your return home from Alaska, and now (having just received word from our friend Edward Marsden that you have arrived safely in Washington) she hastens to write you in regard to the great popular Home Mission meetings, which you and she planned last May at Winona.

In order to relieve her somewhat of the labor of writing, will you permit me to act as her substitute in part.

During the summer and early fall, Mrs. Francis, (acting along the line of your suggestions at Winona) corresponded with the Presidents of the Presbyterial Home Missionary Societies of Pittsburgh, (Cincinnati, of course), Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago. (over)

She found them all enthusiastic over the proposed meetings.

She then drew up the "Plan" (enclosed) in detail, endeavoring to adhere strictly to the suggestions which you had made in your conversations during the General Assembly, — and sent a type-written copy to the Presbyterial Societies of each of the cities named, and also one to the "Woman's Board of Home Missions" (formerly the "Woman's Executive Committee), in New York.

The result is that she has received official replies from all of these cities, endorsing and accepting "The Plan" in full — in every particular — and the dates given — all in the most hearty and enthusiastic manner. The arrangements also for the two Sabbaths (Jan. 9. in Cincinnati, and Jan. 16 in Chicago) have been made with equal cordiality. In Cincinnati you will preach in the Second Church (Dr. E. Trumbull Lee) in the morning, and probably in Mt. Auburn (Dr. H. M. Curtis) in the evening. These are two of our largest and wealthiest Churches. In Chicago you will also be welcomed by two of the strongest Churches. I received a letter from Dr. Withrow (Ex-Moderator) on the same day that Mrs. Francis received her last letter from Mrs. Dr. Merriman, Presbyterial President, — saying that he was delighted at the prospect of having you in his Church.

Thus everything is arranged (tentatively) for these five large cities, and the five Presbyterial Societies are now awaiting eagerly your final approval of the dates, &c. so that they may at once publish the announcements of the meetings in all these cities.

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They are entering into the plan with a determination (with God's blessing) to make these the greatest popular Home Missionary Meetings ever held in these cities.

The New York ladies have also written Mrs. Francis encouragingly in regard to the extension of the tour to Minneapolis, St. Paul, Milwaukee, Detroit &c:—and, if you authorize them to do so, they will probably immediately proceed to suggest the "Plan" to the Presbyterial Societies of such cities as you may name, and have them arrange dates, &c.

Meanwhile, the five first-named cities have all been arranged for, as far as it could be done until word is received from you telling them to "go ahead." Will you, therefore, be so kind as to write Mrs. Francis (or me) at your earliest convenience, so that she may notify the other cities. Also any suggestions which you may make will be highly appreciated.

Mrs. Francis joins me in kindest greetings and remembrances to you, and your family—especially your daughter whom we met at Winona. Hoping to hear from you soon I am

Most sincerely, your Bro. John Junkin Francis,

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PLAN FOR HOME MISSION MEETINGS TO BE ADDRESSED BY

REV. DR. SHELDON JACKSON, MODERATOR OF THE GEN'L ASSEMBLY.

During the recent meeting of the General Assembly at Winona, in conversation with the Moderator, Dr. Sheldon Jackson, a plan for a series of grand, "Home Missionary Meetings", to be addressed by Dr. Jackson, in a number of the large cities, in the interests of Home Missions, and especially of the "Woman's Board of Home Missions", under the auspices of "The Presbyterial Woman's Home Missionary Society" of each of the cities included in the circuit, was proposed and partially arranged for, Dr. Jackson fully approving and acquiescing in the plan, and himself suggesting some of its features or conditions.

THE GENERAL OUTLINE OF THE PLAN IS AS FOLLOWS, VIZ.

1. Two Mass Meetings (one in the afternoon and one in the evening) shall be held in each of the cities visited, the principal feature of each meeting to be an address by Dr. Jackson on HOME MISSIONS";-- the other exercises, musical and devotional to be arranged for, by the local "Presbyterial Woman's Home Missionary Society."
2. These meetings are to be held under the auspices of the "Woman's Presbyterial Home Missionary Society", and are to be in the interest of the work of "The Woman's Board of Home Missions", --that is, the Educational, or Home Mission School Work of the Presbyterian Church.
3. Both the afternoon and evening meetings are to be held in the most central or convenient Church, or Churches, or point possible, and to be advertised beforehand as widely as possible, by announcements in all the pulpits and societies (Women's and Young People's Societies) in the city and vicinity, in the newspapers, and in every suitable way, so as to secure a large attendance of men, women, and young people.
4. At each meeting (both afternoon and evening) a collection is to be

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taken for the work of "The Woman's Board of Home Missions", this collection to be forwarded, through your Presbyterial Treasurer, to The Treasurer, Miss Lincoln, and to be credited to your Presbyterial Society, or in whatever way you may desire or determine. This condition was named by Dr. Jackson himself.

5. It is expected that these meetings will be worked up beforehand, so that, in attendance, interest and influence, they will be one of the great Home Mission events of the year in each of these cities, and arouse the greatest possible enthusiasm for the cause of Home Missions.

6. In the cities in which Dr. Jackson remains over Sabbath, it is the design that arrangements be made to have him invited to preach in two of the largest Churches in the City (morning and evening) on "HOME MISSIONS".--a collection being taken at each of these services also, for "The Woman's Board of Home Missions":--being sure to have it clearly stated and understood by the audience that this is part of the regular work of the Church--one of the two grand departments of the great Home Mission Work of the Presbyterian Church, authorized by the General Assembly, and in direct connection with and under the supervision of "The Board of Home Missions."

7. The only expense to your Presbyterial Society for Dr. Jackson's visit will be
   1. Dr. Jackson's traveling expenses from the city previously visited, and his entertainment while in your city.
   2. The incidental expenses connected with the meetings, such as advertizing, etc.

   These expenses may be provided for either
   1. out of your Presbyterial Contingent Fund.
   2. by special provision either private or public, or
   3. if necessary may be taken out of the collections taken at the meetings.

8. THE SCHEDULE OF DATES FOR THESE "DR. SHELDON JACKSON HOME MISSIONARY MEETINGS", as far as determined, is as follows, beginning at PITTSBURGH, viz.

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FRIDAY, JAN. 7, 1898. (afternoon and evening)--at PITTSBURGH, PA.
(Sabbath, Jan. 9, at CINCINNATI, (morning and evening)
TUESDAY, JAN.11. (afternoon and evening)--at CINCINNATI, OHIO.
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12. (afternoon and evening)--at INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
FRIDAY, JAN. 14. (afternoon and evening)--at ST. LOUIS, MO.
(Sabbath, Jan. 16, at CHICAGO. (morning and evening)
MONDAY or TUESDAY, JAN. 17 or 18. (afternoon and evening)--at CHICAGO, ILL. and afterwards probably at
ST. PAUL or MINNIAPOLIS.---DETROIT.---CLEVELAND.---BUFFALO.---ALBANY.--NEW YORK.---PHILADELPHIA.---BALTIMORE.---

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Mrs. John Junkin Francis,
621 Mound Street.
Cincinnati. O.

President of the
Woman's Presbyterial Society of Home Missions
Cincinnati Presbytery.

Dear Dr. Jackson.

This "Plan", including dates, has been enthusiastically accepted in all the cities named, viz. Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis & Chicago. and only awaits your final acceptance.

Hoping to hear from you as quickly as possible, and with kindest regards, I am Faithfully yours,

(Mrs. John Junkin) Louie C. Francis

GRAND POPULAR HOME MISSIONARY MEETINGS FOR DR. SHELDON JACKSON.

So far as yet arranged, by Mrs. Francis and the local Presbyterial Woman's Home Missionary Societies of PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI, INDIANAPOLIS, ST. LOUIS, & CHICAGO, and with the approval of the Ladies in New York.

1.—PITTSBURGH, PA.

FRIDAY, JAN. 7.	PITTSBURGH,	Afternoon, Popular Meeting
" " "	"	Evening, " "

2.—CINCINNATI, O.

SABBATH, JAN. 9.	CINCINNATI,	Morning, Church Service
" " "	"	Evening, " "
~~TUESDAY, JAN. 11.~~ Monday Jan 10.	"	Afternoon, Popular Meeting
" " "	"	Evening, " "

3.—INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

~~WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12.~~ Tuesday Jan 11	INDIANAPOLIS.	Afternoon, Popular Meeting,
" " "	"	Evening " "

4.—ST. LOUIS, MO.

~~FRIDAY, JAN. 14.~~ Wednesday 12	ST. LOUIS.	Afternoon, Popular Meeting.
" " "	"	Evening, " "
Friday Jan 14. Milwaukee		

5.—CHICAGO, ILL.

SABBATH, JAN. 16.	CHICAGO.	Morning, Church Service
" " "	"	Evening, " "
~~TUESDAY, JAN. 18.~~ Monday Jan 17.	"	Afternoon Popular Meeting
" " "	"	Evening " "

[See Type-Written "PLAN," enclosed].

Tuesday Jan 18 St. Paul afternoon
Thursday Jan 20 Detroit evening
Friday Closed Cleveland & Sunday Buffalo.

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Cincinnati, O. November 18th 1897.

To the
Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Bureau of Education.
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Dr. Jackson.

Your kind letter was received today, — much to the delight of Mrs. Francis, whose heart is full of the proposed meetings next January.

She has mailed this evening, as suggested by you, a letter to the Hon. W. T. Harris, signed by herself as Presbyterial President, and by the General Secretary, — of which letter I enclose you a copy, — and to which she hopes for a speedy and favorable reply.

Mrs. Francis asks me to thank you, for her, for your prompt and encouraging response, — and wishes me to say to you (as she said to you personally at Winona,) that it is her desire to consult your wishes and convenience in this grand Missionary tour of the cities, in every respect, so that it may not only

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be helpful to the great cause of Home Missions, but a very pleasant trip to you.

In the arrangement of the dates from Pittsburg to Chicago, she was anxious to avoid making it burdensome to you, and, at the same time, to meet the special circumstances and wishes of the various cities on the list.

In regard to the modifications of the schedule of dates, which you suggest, although their was much labor and correspondence with each city in fixing the dates satisfactorily, yet your decision will be law in the matter, — if you think it better to make the changes

It is proper, of course, that you should know that the Officers of the Presbyterial Societies and all interested, — both in Cincinnati and Chicago — felt strongly that Monday would be the worst day in the week (except Saturday) to attempt to hold these great popular meetings. For this reason, and also because they thought you ought to have Monday for a little rest, — the Cincinnati date was fixed for Tuesday, Jan. 11th.

In writing to Chicago (where you are to spend the following Sabbath) Mrs. Francis suggested "Monday or Tuesday, Jan. 17. or 18." The Chicago Society (after considering the matter carefully) — replied, through their President, asking very earnestly that their date should be Tuesday, rather than Monday. — as Monday would be a very poor day on which to hold such meetings.

The schedule after Chicago has not been fixed at all, and all dates subsequent to Chicago, could therefore be arranged exactly as you propose; and

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if Milwaukee could be set forward into the next week (as Milwaukee has not yet been arranged for at all), it might answer the same purpose, and leave the dates at Cincinnati, Indianapolis, and St. Louis, unchanged.

The dates which you suggest for the week following Chicago, are: —

Monday, Jan. 17.	Chicago.	afternoon	& eve.
Tuesday, Jan. 18.	St. Paul.	"	"
Thursday, Jan. 20.	Detroit	"	"
Friday, Jan. 21.	Cleveland.	"	"
Sunday, Jan. 23.	Buffalo	"	"

Now, as Chicago has already arranged for Tuesday, and as Milwaukee has not yet been given any date, how would it do to let Chicago stand on Tuesday, and run up to Milwaukee on Monday, — then back to Chicago for Tuesday: then give St. Paul Wednesday, Detroit Thursday, Cleveland Friday, and Buffalo Sunday. This would give each of the cities on your list a day, and yet leave the dates for Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago (all of which have been definitely accepted) undisturbed

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This would make the entire schedule of cities and dates exactly as you suggest in your letter of today, except that Milwaukee would be transferred to Monday, Jan. 17. - Chicago left for Tuesday, and St. Paul changed from Tuesday to Wednesday, - Wednesday being an open date on your list.

The entire schedule would then be as follows: -

Friday.	Jan. 7.	Pittsburg.	Afternoon & Evening.
Sunday. -	" 9.	Cincinnati.	Morning & Evening.
Tuesday. -	" 11.	Cincinnati.	Afternoon & ~~afternoon~~ evening.
Wednesday -	" 12.	Indianapolis.	" " "
Friday. -	" 14.	St. Louis.	" " "
Sunday. -	" 16.	Chicago.	Morning " "
Monday. -	" 17.	Milwaukee.	Afternoon " "
Tuesday. -	" 18.	Chicago.	" " "
Wednesday. -	" 19.	St. Paul.	" " "
Thursday. -	" 20.	Detroit.	" " "
Friday -	" 21.	Cleveland	" " "
Sunday. -	23.	Buffalo.	" " "

Now, my dear Dr. Jackson, while this schedule is offered for your approval, Mrs. Francis wishes it to be understood that your wishes and your convenience are to be considered first of all. She will be glad if this arrangement shall receive your endorsement. But any changes which you may desire, will be cheerfully made by her. As soon as you learn from Mr. Harris of his permission for your absence, will you kindly let her (or me) know your final wishes, so that everything can be publicly announced as quickly as possible. Mrs. Francis joins me in kindest regards to you and your family. Most sincerely yours Bro.

John Franklin Francis.

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Copy of Letter to Hon. W. T. Harris:
Commissioner of Education.

Cincinnati, O. November 18th 1897.

Hon. W. T. Harris.
Commissioner of Education.
Department of the Interior.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir.

As the Officers of the "Presbyterial Woman's Home Missionary Society of Cincinnati Presbytery", and in behalf of the Women of the Presbyterian Church at Large, we address you this letter and request, — in reference to Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, are arranging, on a large scale a series of great popular Mass Meetings, in behalf of the Educational Missionary work among the "Exceptional populations" of our country; — to be held in the larger cities, — such as Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Chicago, St. Paul, Detroit, Cleveland, Buffalo, — to be addressed by Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson. It is of the greatest importance to the success of these meetings, — or, indeed, essential to their success, — that Dr. Jackson, as Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian

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Church, — as the great representative Home Missionary of America — and as the pioneer of the Educational work in Alaska, should be present, and deliver this series of addresses.

We beg, therefore, to ask you, as the United States Commissioner of Education, if you will not grant us the great favor of allowing Dr. Jackson the early part of the month of January, 1898, to be devoted to this good purpose?

We assure you, in doing so, that your kindness will be highly appreciated not only by the women of the Presbyterian Church, but by thousands of the best people (both men and women) of the cities named.

After months of correspondence and earnest planning, the arrangements for these meetings have been completed, as far as they could be; and we now only await your approval and consent, to announce them publicly in the cities named, and throughout the country. Will you, therefore, kindly let us know, at your earliest convenience, so that we may proceed to make the announcements.

Earnestly hoping for your early and favorable reply, we are

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) Mrs. John Junkin Francis,
President Woman's Home Miss'y Soc'y of Cincinnati Presbytery

(Signed) Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Trout,
Gen. Cor. Sec. Woman's Home Miss'y Soc'y of Cincinnati Presbytery.

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Cincinnati, O. December 10, 1897.

To the
Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson.
Washington. D.C.

My Dear Dr. Jackson.

Pardon me for writing you again, knowing how very busy you are. Mrs. Francis is afraid that, in your absence from your office, my last letter to you (enclosing the letter from the Commissioner of Education) may possibly have been mislaid, and not have reached you.

As the time for the great Home Missionary Meetings for which the ladies have been arranging in Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago.—is so fast approaching, they are becoming very anxious and eager to learn as soon as may be possible, the certainty of your coming, so that they may publish the meetings and dates far and wide.

They have been building high hopes and great expectations on these meetings ever since they were planned at Winona, and it is their earnest hope and prayer that the unexpected and unusual pressure which has come upon you may not prevent you from carrying out the plan which was laid so long ago. Of course they do not

think there is any danger of such a thing. But they will be greatly relieved and delighted, when the word comes from you that it is all right.

Mrs. Francis is especially anxious, as she has to notify the ladies in the other four cities.

We saw (as we frequently do) our friend Edward Marsden today. He is looking forward very eagerly to your coming.

Hoping you are well, and that you may be given strength for the great work which is devolving upon you, and may be greatly blessed in it: —and with kindest regards, in which Mrs. Francis joins me, I am

Most sincerely your Bro.

John Jenkin Francis.

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Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
Washington,

My dear Dr. Jackson:

Will you give the young people of the Presbyterian Church a New Year's message through the pages of the Church at Home and Abroad? — an article of one page — 800 words — or less, as you think wise.

Moderator Withrow favored us in that way last January. If possible for you to do this, kindly let me know — and I should need the ms. as soon as 20th of this month, or perhaps Dec. 1.

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REV. ALBERT B. ROBINSON, ASSOCIATE EDITOR

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PHILADELPHIA, PA., ... 189

By the enclosed Outline C. you will notice that in Christian Training Course we take up Alaska for study in March.

I want to make that number of special interest.

Can you supply any new photographs – something not yet published?

Very Cordially Yours
Albert B. Robinson

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N.Y. Nov 11/97

My dear Doctor

Please send me a memo. of your traveling Expenses in attending our Celebration that I may remit to you.

We missed you Tuesday Evening. We had a grand and Enthusiastic meeting. The "Old First" Ch. was crowded with S.S. officers teachers and Scholars.

Fraternally Your

Jas Yereance

Rev J Seldon Jackson D.D.
Washington D.C.

Riverside Cala.

Nov.11-97.

Dear Dr. Jackson,

It was a great disappointment not to see more of you at the meeting of the Synod of Cala. I was kept so busy on Committee work that I could not get away to hear or see you when you addressed the woman's Board at the 1st church. I greatly enjoyed hearing you on Friday evening. Some reports are afloat that there is gold in large quantities to be found on the Kotzebue Sound, in streams putting into it. Is there any foundation for this in fact? This is not so remote as the Klondike.

It did seem like old times to see and hear you. You have changed very little. I was a delegate to the last Assembly, but let my alternate go. Had I been there you would have had one more vote for moderator, because our Synod stood loyally to their man, tho some disapproved of our putting a candidate in the field.

We do very much wish you would come west by way of So.California. The expense would be no more, except a little more time, one or two days. Our end of the State is not only the finest, but it has the far better population. We have comparatively little of the old Cala. element.

We want you also to see our children. Paul, our eldest, is 22 this month, and Bonnie our next is 20. Paul has taken 2 years in Marietta College, and is now earning money to go on with, by working for the Standard Oil Co. earning now $75.00 a month and his expenses. He will return to Coll. this year. John's eldest boy, Wm B. Gage, has just entered Auburn Sem. and his second boy, Harry is junior in Wooster.

Our other children are in the grade schools here.

I have a very quiet church, with a membership of some 180, and am doing what I can to keep the cause of Home Missions before them. I am clerk of the H.M.Com. for this Pres. In fact I have been on the H.M.Com. for about 20 years.

I saw Anderson at Synod, but he remained only one day. He has not proved very successful out here. Tho' he is the same jolly and happy fellow he used to be.

Remember us to your wife and daughters.

Very Fraternally Yours,

F. B. Sayre,

128 Magnolia Ave.
Riverside Cal.

Twin Oaks
Oct 11

Dear Dr. Sheldon Jackson

I have been looking forward with great pleasure to hearing you speak to us tomorrow evening on the Klondike, but fear I must give up that pleasure.

I have been under the weather for two or three weeks, and the Doctor has required me to give up all work – and go away for a little while, as soon as I am stronger.

I should venture out to-morrow with but am afraid that I should take a new cold, by the exposure in the church.

I am
Very truly yours,
Gardiner G. Hubbard

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Rev. S. T. Whitemore.
Stated Clerk,
Presbyterian = = Prisons

Apr 12/97

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.
My dear Brother

You will recollect that I approached you at the meeting of the Assembly in regard to the construction of a dam at the Buttes 14 miles east on the Gila river to furnish water-storage for Pueblo Indians & the settlers in this valley. Your reply was "Write me a note of reminder in Apr & I will go before the Committee & present it." Perhaps you know that the Chief of the Interior Dept has detailed Lieut Arthur Pearis with a corps of Hydrographic engineers nearly 2 years since to survey the above site - make estimates of cost of water to be stored - cost of construction - &c & his Report was printed & presented to Congress last Feb.

On the construction of this Reservoir depends the perpetuity of the Pueblo

work that our dear Bro Cook has been doing at the Pima Agency for nearly 27 years. Without that dam these 4000 Indians must be supported in idleness & poverty at an expense of $100,000 a year & when the next generation now in schools, returns, that amt will have to be doubled. Bro Cook feels that the life or death of all his Indians (except a few at Gila Crossing) depends on this work & add to this the prosperity of all the citizens in this valley from the Buttes west to the Pima Reservation 10 miles west of here - 25 miles East & West & the whole valley in breadth. I hope you will see Mr Wanamaker & ask him to go with you. He said to me as I broached the subject to him at the Assembly "I know what that means - that I must go to Washington" - insinuating that at the proper time he would leave his large business & go.

I visited Bro Cook on Tuesday

& he was delighted to know that our citizens had taken up the matter & appointed a Committee to raise a Thousand dollars to send a man to Washington to go before the "Committee on Indian Appropriations" & press this matter & remain as long as necessary to see the bill passed by Congress.

The strangest thing of all is the man whom they chose to go. It came "like a thunder bolt from a clear sky" while the honor is one that reflects credit on the Board in sustaining me here all these nearly 10 years, the immense responsibility is one that crushes out the pride & vanity which otherwise might crop out. I was surprised that Mr Atkins our pastor at Phoenix heartily approves the choice & more surprised that our Board in NY say "Go on that important & God appointed mission". And they give me 2 months vacation & will extend it if necessary.

It may take 3 weeks or 3 months but I want to stay until the bill is passed.

by Congress even if it takes the whole session after Feb 1st when I hope to be there fully armed & equipped with facts figures & arguments to combat or retort to all opposition that may arise with the backing of all the friends of the Indian in the East generally & Mr Dawes-maker in particular. I expect to leave by Jan 20-25th & Dr McMillan has sent me letters of recommendation to Senators Carter & Mantle of Montana & Kyle of So Dakota & to Representative Belford McMillan of Penn, W F Sutton of Mich & Phelps of Gov of New York - personal friends - also a letter to Gen E Whittlesey & Herbert Welsh "powerful allies". I feel that God is behind all this movement or I would not stir an inch & I am sure you will aid to the extent of your ability. Let us by God's help make this a success.

Very fraternally yours

J. S. Whitlemore

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

1334 Chestnut Street,

REV. W. H. ROBERTS, D.D., LL.D.,
STATED CLERK.

Philadelphia, Nov. 13 1897

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D., Moderator.
Bureau of Education

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

The Rev. Jere Witherspoon, D.D., of Baltimore, writes me under date of Nov. 11, tendering to you through me his resignation as a member of the Assembly's Committee on the 250th Anniversary of the Westminster Standards. Dr. Witherspoon has resigned the pastorate of the First Church Baltimore, in order to accept that of Grace Church, Richmond, Va. (Southern) He therefore feels that he ought to withdraw from our Committee. Allow me to suggest as a member of the Committee in his place, the Rev. Howard Duffield, D.D., of New York City, the Rev. David R. Breed, D.D., Pittsburgh, Pa., and Rev. George D. Stewart, D.D., of Harrisburgh, Pa. Kindly let me know your wish with reference to any one of these gentlemen, or another Person whom you may prefer to appoint.

With kindest regards,

Very truly yours,

W. H. Roberts

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ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

GENERAL LAND OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 13, 1897.

S.R.P.

Seldon Jackson,

U.S.Genl. Agent of Education for Alaska,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 5, 1897, in reference to the contemplated sale of lots in the townsite of Unalaska, under supposed instructions of this office of April 17, 1897.

I have to advise you that letter "G" of April 17, 1897 to Mr. James Blaine, Trustee, contained no instructions under which he could proceed with the sale of town lots in Unalaska. No entry has been made of the townsite and the title to the land is in the Government.

Mr. Blaine was advised by letter "G" of November 5, 1897, that your report of January 7, 1897, dealt with the claims of the Greco-Russian Church, the claims of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M.E.Church, and other matters which would in all probability necessitate an amendatory survey, and he was, therefore, directed to take no further

action in the premises.

Very respectfully,

E. Peat

Asst. Commissioner.

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Log Cabin Presbyterian Church,
REV. J. H. CONDIT,
PASTOR.

JUNEAU, ALASKA, Nov. 3 1897

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Brother

At our recent meeting of presbytery on Thursday I was asked to send you the substance of the "Resolution" we gave of changes I would like considered with a view to presentation and adjustment in connection with the revision of the Confession of Faith by the next General Assembly. And the writer, who was in the same conclusion, thus leads me to think that possibly a union of the two papers would be the best.

At least it seems to me that it would be much better to have one paper of the kind than to have the light or place that to have the two or more distributed.

There is another reason why such a union is desirable. If we that there is more or less of a case for a change, let us make it as strong as possible.

Sitka naturally & deeply recei
the greater part of the American comm
appropriated for Alaska does under
it by receives a large proportion
of attention from the States.
While this is all right yet I fee
that work in fields outside of
Sitka are more or less neglec
[illegible]

It was in the hope that a clo
look among Eskimos the various dis
travels of our Sitka men would be
appealed by ~~such a consideration~~
I suggested the same to
Mr May & Mr Jackson
connected to it.

If such a union can be eff
I would be willing to do
the Sitka help & encourage you
the same to the public
[illegible]

I would be [illegible]

Log Cabin Presbyterian Church,
REV. J. H. CONDIT,
PASTOR.

JUNEAU, ALASKA, ... 189

and Superintendent and to secure the co-operation of our teachers & trustees who are all the stations.

The printing can be done here for very considerable less than by a strictly Alaskan production.

I do not wish to be understood as presuming to dictate in the matter. I speak as the suggestion would seemingly answer better work for us as you can understand & only propose this step with a view to the betterment of our Alaska work.

When you kindly write us [illegible]

THE
INTERIOR
CHICAGO

November 15th, 1897.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Doctor:-

I hope to meet you in Philadelphia on the 22d in the committee. There is a great deal of hope expressed by Mr. McCormick and my other friends that we can manage to put new inspiration into the work of our church. Mr. McCormick says when he looks at what the Episcopalians are doing, and at what we are doing, it makes him heart-sick. I shall want to consult with you about the celebration of the anniversary, hoping that we may be able to use that also as a means of causing the church to look forward and not backward. My dear Doctor, old folks like you and myself have got to put in our best licks for Christ and his church now, because our time is short.

Write to Dr. H. B. Stehman, Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, in regard to Mrs. Gamble. She will get better treatment there than she could at any other institution in this country.

Faithfully yours,

W. C. Gray
Treas.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF CANADA,
George M. Dawson, C.M.G., LL.D., F.R.S.,
DEPUTY HEAD AND DIRECTOR,
MUSEUM AND OFFICES, SUSSEX STREET, OTTAWA.

Nov: 16th, 1897.

My dear Sir,

Replying to yours of Nov: 4th, I may inform you that pretty nearly all the literature, maps, etc., referring to Yukon District has gone out of print in consequence of the great demand for it. New maps will be published in the course of the winter, but these it will be necessary to bring up to date by the addition of surveys which are only now coming in by degrees.

I trust you will be able to do something to check the absolutely senseless rush of large numbers of people, without either knowledge or qualifications of any kind, to the Yukon district.

Yours truly,

The Rev. Sheldon Jackson,
Bureau of Education,
Dept. of the Interior,
Washington, D.C.,
U. S. A.

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Moravian Mission,

Bethel, Alaska, Nov. 16th,1897.

Sheldon Jackson, D. D.

I would like to write a letter to you. I suppose you will be surprised when you open my letter? My name is Paul; I am an Edkimo boy; Miss Mack is our teacher. All the boys like her very much. She came up here from Nazareth, Pennsylvania. I seen your photograph the other day . Lasy week Miss Mack told me, tell about you so I will write you a few lines and tell you about those Alaskan people. I am learning fast and all of us. I can not talk English very nicely like George and David, who went down to the States. We have nice Scriptures and songs. Oh we like the hymn books because they are taken from the Bible. Miss Mack often taught us about Jesus our Saviour who died for us. At this Kuskokwim, most the Eskimos believe in Him and do His commandments. They used to pray always just like we are. Some of them would preach to their friends, whose people never heard Word of God. Dr. Roring is going to Nushagak so I will write to you. Miss Mack is going to write to the States, so Mr. Schoechert will send them to the States. Miss Mack always kind to us and teach us about Saviour. Some times I get naughty, but I often go to him and ask Him to forgive me. He shed for our sins and He first loved us. When Miss Mack came up here first down here too, She called me her little boy. I like her very much, but now I used to work with the big boys. I

did not much work as I would like, but I studied my Bible with all might, until I get them. I can't write like white boys do, because I'm in Third Reader. You know several years ago, George and David went down there before I came here, they used to talk English very well. Oh I like English very much more than other languages. I wish I would go down there and try to learn all of it, but it is very far and costs a great deal of money. I am a big boy now, but I can't talk English nicely and can not translate my Bible.
If I had some money, I would go to States, and learning nicely. Every evening I went over to Miss Mack and ask her some words. I used her Dictionary every day and study hard. I heard you captian to the schools so I will write to you and tell you about Alaskan people. Last winter Mr. Kjellmann and two Laplanders reached here with the reindeers, they stayed here in few weeks. Mr. D. Johnson of Unalaklik there too. He preached to the people in here, speak by Mr. Kilbreck. Andrew went to go with to Nushagak. Mr. David Johnson is a faithful friend, he loves everybody . Robert went down to Qumachagamute Mission as a Missi nary. Thismonth I got his letter, he told me that he is well and happy. The people like him there and call him their friend. He is my brother and I love him very much. Last winter Rev. Y. Kortchinsky of Russian Mission came down here, he was very good to me, he speaks English just a little, he talked to the people in here, very loudly. Some of the people laughed at him because they never seen like that before.

It is about the time I finish my letter. Please remember my words. I will write again and I will think of you after this. I like to see you but it is far away from here. If I knew your daughters names I would write to them. Give my love to them.

Your friend in the Gospel,

(signed) Paul Egsack,

Eskimo Boy.

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Department of the Interior,

INDIAN SCHOOL SERVICE,

Carlisle, Pa., Nov. 16th, 1897.

Rev. Dr. Shelden Jackson,

Bureau of Education,

Washington, D.C.

My dear Doctor:

The enclosed was in my mail this morning, and without looking at the address carefully I opened it.

The Alaskan children are here all right, and already the teachers speak of their being bright, quick and eager.

I would be glad if you could come to Carlisle early in December, prior to the 10th, and give us a Klondike talk. I will publish it in the town and open our hall for you and give you all the receipts, charging only the town folks. I think you could count on twenty-five or fifty dollars, maybe more. I have a new gallery across the back end of our chapel large enough to seat 150, and a good place to work a sterioptican. I have the instrument and the gas and Mr. Standing could manipulate the slides for you.

A Friday or Saturday night would suit us best, but we will take any night you can give us.

Yours faithfully,

R. H. Pratt

Capt. 10th Cav'y., Supt.

(Dictated) Mc

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John Wanamaker, Philadelphia.

Private Office. Nov 17th 97

Dear Dr. Jackson

I find your letter this morning on my return from Europe. I will, please me very much to be your host the night of the 22d though I shall have to carry you to the Country inasmuch as we have not yet moved in to the City.

It is offering you very poor hospitality to drag you out of the comfortable hotel, where you are dining, to the Country at midnight; and if you would prefer to be my guest at the Hotel at which the Banquet is held I would be very pleased to have it so, though there would be no Mrs Wanamaker there

We would be very glad to have you if you elect to go with me to the Country. & you shall be free & consult your own convenience & comfort

Yours very Sincerely

John Wanamaker

Colfax N Dakota
Nov 16 1897

Rev Sheldon Jackson, D.D.
My dear Brother. I need this day an annual statement of the Commissioner of Education to the Secty of the Interior for the fiscal year ended June 30th 1897. I take it for granted, that you forwarded the same to me as a result of the interview I had with you when you visited this place. The leaves, you turned down having reference to the report of the work in Alaska I read

with a good deal of intere.
For your kindness, I return
you my sincere thanks for
the interest you manifested
in sending said report. In
reading the statement as given
I was astonished in the amount
of work that has been already
done in that far away, and
might say isolated Empire.
Not only so, but how much
more is necessary to be done
to satisfy the Educational
& Gospel wants of the many
nationalities represented in
that Alaskan Empire, with
its gold fields under the mighty
currents of rushing rivers, also
hidden in the bosom of Mother
Earth, & the recesses of towering
mountains fed together by
far reaching mountain ranges

to say nothing of other valuable minerals & deep & expansive forests of valuable timber of many kinds, & the great wealth of fisheries & the great watery expanse of the home of the seal herds that have caused Uncle Sam & the representatives of other nations especially - Russia, Japan, & England so much vexatious diplomacy, that has not as yet ripened into very much value. I really hope dear Doctor, that you in your itinerating through the many states & the principal cities of the same, will have the good fortune to so represent the interests of Alaska that will result in great material educational & moral

benefit to that Macedonian field that you represent & that needs efficient laborers well qualified for the work in gifts & graces & bodily health & constitutional endurance, I have thought if you & your field of labor & the heavy amount of ~~that~~ peculiar work that you have to perform, as I told you if there is an open door for me in far away Alaska I am willing to enter the same providing always that I can get an appointment by the regular constituted authorities & of course you know who they are. I really believe that the president has not forgotten

Mr Bloxsandace of West Superior Wisconsin with whom there was some exchange of Correspondence during his presidential Campaign, As I informed you, I have been in the active ministry of the M E Church for some 25 years. On the account of the sickness of my wife for a few years I have not taken a regular pastorate but now have buried all my children six in number, and three years ago had to part with my dear wife I am willing to spend the remainder of my days in the field of labor inclosed in the ruffled border of Alaska

If it is necessary to get recommendations from Judges, lawyers, preachers, teachers, doctors, politicians, & live business men, I can do it, My dear Bro, I have written you thus plainly & will leave at the present time, the matter in your hands & hope to hear from you soon & frequently that all is well with your family, and the Educational & Missionary work, you have to look after, I leave to-morrow evening for West Superior Wisconsin where you will address me until further notice. I am very truly yours

Rev Roosevelt Brandall

My nephews family are all
well, Business not rushing,
Wheat coming in rather
slow, Threshing nearly
all finished & the farmers
through with their ploughing
I wrote an article for the
Superior Telegram of
your visit here & of
your information given
me — which was published

A. J. DAVIS, Principal.

Clarion State Normal School,

CLARION, PA.

Nov. 17, 1897.

Hon. Sheldon Jackson,

My dear Doctor,

Thank you for your favorable response to my letter of Aug. 24. I should like the position very much, and if you will secure it for me, I shall engage to serve faithfully the best interests of Education in Alaska besides holding you in grateful remembrance. Kindly do your best for me and I shall endeavor to deserve the favor conferred.

Cordially

A. J. Davis.

REV. MALTBIE DAVENPORT BABCOCK,
BROWN MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
1316 PARK AVE., BALTIMORE.

Nov. 18, 1897.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

I cannot relinquish our hope of having you speak before our Men's Association. Not a quarter of the men have heard you, and I want them to know you better and feel more thoroughly all that you stand for. Can you not put down in your engagement book either January 11, or February 8? Come over and talk to us an hour, bringing your views. We will pay your expenses and give you something besides, but just what this "something" will be I cannot now say, as our exchequer is not a large one.

We have cylinder operator ready - only slides bring necessary

Very truly yours,

W S Babcock

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General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

1334 Chestnut Street,

REV. W. H. ROBERTS, D.D., LL.D., STATED CLERK.

Philadelphia, Nov. 18 1897

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,

Bureau of Education

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

You write me under date of yesterday stating that the Rev. Edward H. Roberts of Baltimore, has consented to serve on the Anniversary Committee, etc. I take it for granted that Dr. Roberts is a slip of your typewriter for Robbins, and shall enter Mr. Robbins as a member of the Committee, unless otherwise informed.

Will you please let me know whether you expect to deliver your illustrated lecture on Alaska in the churches this Winter, and if so, what the honorarium ought as a rule to be?

Will you also kindly inform me what the Third and Fourth churches of Trenton should do in the way of meeting your expenses for the recent visit?

The Committee on the 250th Anniversary will meet in Room 12, 1334 Chestnut St., Phila.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

W. H. Roberts

Woman's Presbyterial Society

.....OF....

HOME MISSIONS,

Presbytery of Cincinnati.

Place and Time of Meeting:

First Church, Fourth St. near Main.
First Tuesday of each Month, at 2 p. m.
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H.M.S.

Cincinnati, O. November 18th, 1897.

Hon. W. T. Harris,
Commissioner of Education.
Department of the Interior.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

As the Officers of the Presbyterial Woman's Home Missionary Society of Cincinnati Presbytery, and in behalf of the women of the Presbyterian Church at large, we address you this letter and request, — in reference to Dr. Sheldon Jackson.

The "Woman's Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America," are arranging, on a large scale, a series of great popular Mass Meetings, in the interests of the Educational missionary work among the "Exceptional populations" of our country; — to be held in the larger cities, — such as Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Chicago, St. Paul, Detroit, Cleveland, Buffalo, — to be addressed by Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson, as the principal speaker.

It is of the greatest importance to the success of these meetings, — or, indeed, essential to their success, —

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—that Dr. Jackson, as Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, —as the great representative Home Missionary of America, —and as the pioneer of the Educational work in Alaska, —should be present and ~~address the~~ deliver this series of addresses.

We beg, therefore, to ask you, as the United States Commissioner of Education, if you will not grant us the great favor of allowing Dr. Jackson the early part of the month of January, 1898, to be devoted to this good purpose?

We assure you, in doing so, that your kindness will be highly appreciated, not only by the women of the Presbyterian Church, but by thousands of the best people (both men and women) in the cities named.

After months of correspondence and earnest planning, the arrangements for these meetings have been completed, as far as they could be, and we now only await your approval and consent, to announce them publicly in the cities named, and throughout the country.

Will you therefore kindly let us know, at your earliest convenience, so that we may proceed to make the announcements?

Earnestly hoping for your early and favorable reply, we are

Very respectfully yours

Mrs. John Junkin Francis.

President of the Woman's H. M. Society of Cincinnati Presby.

Mrs Mary E Trout.

General Cor. Sec'y, Woman's H. M. Society of Cincinnati Presby.

Address: Mrs. John Junkin Francis, 421 Mound Street, Cincinnati, Ohio

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

1334 Chestnut Street,

REV. W. H. ROBERTS, D.D., LL.D., STATED CLERK.

Philadelphia, Nov. 20 1897

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Yours of Nov. 19 is at hand. Dr. Withrow writes me to know about the meeting of the Committee to select delegates for the Seventh Presbyterian General Council. Will it suit you to have the Committee meet on Tuesday January 11, 1898, in the Witherspoon Building, Phila. Dr. W. desires now to make arrangements for a visit East at the time of the Committee's meeting, and is inquiring about the date.

Accept my personal thanks and the thanks of the church for your kindness in speaking to the Fourth Church, Trenton, on Sunday morning, Nov. 7. Please also accept from me, without charge, and as a slight acknowledgment of your kindness, the morocco bound volumes of the Minutes for 1897 which were sent you recently.

With kindest regards,

Yours Cordially

W. H. Roberts

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South Orange Nov 20-97.

The Rev
Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Washington D.C.

My dear Doctor:

In reply to yr favor of the 9th inst I would say "Yes" it would please me to be on that Program. As to my subject I am now unable to decide as I have been no general outline and cannot designate a part. As the matter lies in my mind I may say that I would prefer perhaps to speak on "The Personal of the Assembly"

Fraternally Yours
Geo. L. Spining

Dictated by Mrs. William Thaw.

Pittsburgh, Pa., November 20th, 1897.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

I had intended writing you immediately after the receipt of the letter you forwarded me from Mr. Gambell. My only excuse is the incessant demands made upon my time, preventing me from doing half the things that are imperatively demanded.

I write now more for the purpose of asking when you will be in Pittsburgh. I want to see you to talk over various matters in connection with educational work on the missionary order. Also, to have you give an opportunity for a young doctor who expects to go to the Klondike by way of Cape Horn, in the steamer which some Miss or Mrs. Gould of New York has fitted out for carrying out doctors, nurses, and others who will ready to enter the gold field region early in the spring. It will be an advantage to him, I am sure, to see you before sailing.

Remember me kindly to Mrs. Jackson and your daughters and believe me

Yours truly

W. L. Thaw

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John Wanamaker, Philadelphia.

Private Office. Nov. 20th 1897

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Washington D.C.

My Dear Sir—

I have just opened your letter and understand full well your desire to save yourself at night when you have a throat that troubles you. I very much regret that we have not yet moved in from the Country that I might have you along with me.

I have notified the Continental Hotel that you will stop there as my guest, though it is not yet known to me where the Dinner will be; but you will be very comfortable at the Continental Hotel.

Minutes of the General Assembly's Committee on the Celebration of the 350th Anniversary of the adoption of the Westminster Standards.

The Committee met in accordance with the call of the Chairman at 1334 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., on Tuesday, Nov. 23, 1937 at 10 A.M., and was opened with prayer.

Present; Ministers - Sheldon Jackson, W.H.Roberts, S.W.Dana, and E.H.Robbins; with Ruling Elders, George Junkin, Wm. C. Gray, Stanton J.Peelle and Darwin R.James.

The action of the Assembly constituting the Committee and prescribing its duties was read.

The Chairman reported the resignation of the Rev. J. LitherspoonD.D., owing to his transfer to another Communion and the appointment in his stead of the Rev. E.H.Robbins.

A letter was read from Dr. W.P.Moore, explaining his absence from the meeting.

An informal conversation was then entered into upon the work of the Committee.

It was Resolved, That there shall be three sessions in connection with the celebration of the Anniversary, on Thursday, May 26 1938, morning, afternoon and evening, and that at each session there shall be five addresses.

Drs. Roberts and Gray were appointed a sub-committee with power to arrange for the music of the celebration.

The following list of topics was drawn up and approved.

[List already forwarded]

Recess until two o'clock.

Two P.M.

The Committee met after recess and entered upon the consideration of the speakers for the Celebration, and the following list was voted.

Morning Session.

Topic 1. Rev. F.L.Patton, D.D., LL.D., Alternate, Rev. S.J. McPherson, D.D.
" 2. Rev. S.J.Niccolls, D.D., LL.D., Alternate, Rev. Tennis S.Hamlin, D.D.
" 3. Rev. Geo. Norcross, D.D., Alternate, Rev. Howard Duffield, D.D
" 4. Rev. J.D.Moffat, D.D., LL.D.
" 5. Rev. Robert F.Coyle, D.D., Alternate, Rev. Henry C.Mccook, D.D.

Afternoon Session.

Topic # 1. Rev. Henry M.Baird,D.D.,Alternate,Prof.Woodrow Wilson
" 2. Rev. Benj. L. Agnew,D.D.
" 3. Rev. H.W.Stryker,D.D.,LL.D.
" 4. Gen'l John Eaton
" 5. Rev. Henry J.VanDyke,D.D.

Evening Session.

Topic # 1. Rev. David R.Breed,D.D.
" 2. Rev. H.D.Hillis,D.D.,Alternate,Rev. H.D.Babcock,D.D.
" 3. Gen'l Benj. Harrison,Alternate,Hon.C.E.Vanderbourgh
" 4. Rev. Geo.L.Spinning,D.D., Alternate,Hon. James A.Beaver
" 5. Mr. Robert E. Speer

The following additional names were voted as alternates for declining Principals. Rev. J.P.Egbert,D.D., J.T.Smith,D.D., E.L.Hill,D.D., S.S.Mitchell,D.D., D.W.Fisher,D.D., W.O.Thompson, and Hon. J.F.Cowen.

The following resolutions were adopted.

1. Resolved, That the Secretary notify the Speakers appointed, indicating to them the nature and limits of their subjects , and requesting that all communications be held strictly confidential.
2. Resolved, That speeches at the Celebration be limited to thirty minutes.
3. Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to issue at the proper time a Programme, and that he defray all expenses connected with the work of the Committee.
4. Resolved, That the list of topics be not published until after January 1898.

The Chairman and Secretary were constituted a sub-Committee with power to select alternates, the presiding officers for the several sessions of the Celebration, and such other details as might be necessary. To them also was referred the question of an exhibit in connection with the Anniversary.

Adjourned with prayer.

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JOSEPH M. HUSTON
ARCHITECT
PROVIDENT BUILDING
PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia, November 23rd. 1897.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

My Dear Doctor:

Herewith please find a Photograph of the statue of Dr. Marcus Whitman. This Photograph was taken from a clay model of a statue in the Sculptor's Studio.

It was modeled by my friend and co-worker, A. Sterling Calder, and from infomation which we gathered from every available source.

I take great pleasure in presenting these pictures of a Great Missionary to the greatest Missionary of Our Country.

Will you be kind enough to say to General Eaton, that I shall send two similar pictures to him at the earliest possible moment.

It may be of interest to you, to know that this statue is to be placed on the main portal of the new Witherspoon Building, on Walnut Street.

This is the first recognition of this kind which has been given to Whitman and we claim that Our Church is the first one to recognize this romantic character in American History.

With kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

J. M. Huston

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PROVIDENCE, R. I., Nov. 24, 1897.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

Washington, D. C.,

Care of William T. Harris, LL.D.,

Bureau of Education.

My dear Dr.-

I wrote you recently relative to Cook's Inlet as a proper point of debarkation for Alaskan immigrants to the gold fields. What do you think of that point as a Commercial Centre for operations.

Several of my friends are looking about for the best way to enter Alaska both commercially and for gold mining business. It has seemed to some of us that Cook's Inlet is the most desirable point for coast departure. Let me hear by early mail if possible. Give me a pointer as to the best literature now extant, on the mining prospects of Alaska. We would be willing to join a strong company of New England and New York men. Advise me very soon please for some business matters are pressing for settlement and I would like your advise very much.

Very sincerely yours,

Thomas W. Bicknell

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
WILLIAM S. MILLER, PASTOR

CRAFTON, PA Nov 23. 189

My dear Dr Jackson.
I hear you are
here this week
Social Union.
Next Sunday. Dec 7.
I want to ask you
to join me the
pleasure of having
you take lunch
Sunday at the
Noble house. I
must ask you to
take the train to
Crafton. Much as
I miss like that

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
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CRAFTON, PA 189

but will come on
the City. I will
be glad to hear
from you any place
you may decide to
go. Mary will be
here. I will have
the team in action
in about 3 wks. but I
can find you any
train you may name.
Hoping to see you
Sunday. and with
kind regards to your
family I am
Thos Miller

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D. R. James & Brothers,
Successors to
Packard & James,
123 Maiden Lane,

New York, Nov. 24 1897

Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Washington. D.C. } Dear Sir.

The copies of the Independent – Oct. 14 & 28 will go to-night.

The edition of the latter date is exhausted but the clerk found a part of a copy of 28th, & as it happened, the part which we wanted, so it goes, – I explain because it might seem odd to get the work of a copy instead of a full one.

It was a pleasant meeting yesterday & has left a fragrant memory –

I send my compliments to Mrs. Jackson & your daughter. –

It was quite characteristic of the sex that your wife & daughter insisted upon the dress suit – I have smiled to myself as I have imagined the scene of their argument to get you to come to it, – I went through the same treatment. – It was many years after I was married before I came to it. Yours, D. R. James

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THE PRESBYTERIAN UNION,
OF PITTSBURG AND ALLEGHENY,
REV. E. R. DONEHOO, Sec'y and Treas.,
17 WARDEN STREET.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov 26 1897

Sheldon Jackson DD

Dear Sir: On your visit to Pittsburgh you will be entertained by one of our wealthy & intelligent Presbyterians Mr S. N. Penn Esq. He is President of a large Gas Company, Bank director & man of Presbyterian Messenger &c &c. He desires to have you & Dr Eaton as his guests.

I neglected to say heretofore that our Receptions partake largely of the social feature, so that little time can be given to speech-making. When we have no banquet all the time is given to speeches. You have best plan to speak 20 or 25 minutes & Dr Eaton not over 10 or 12 minutes. The evening wears away before we know it & guests begin departing early. The speeches must be before the eating. Advise me as to the train on which you arrive that Mr Penn may meet you.

Yours E R Donehoo

Seattle, Wash.,
Nov. 26, '97.

My dear Doctor:-

I think I have received all the matter you have sent me and having read it over carefully, understand fully what is desired. I will ~~endeavor~~ observe instructions to as you give and will do the best I can under all circumstances.

I have about completed all my preparations & I think the S.S. will get away to-morrow. I come too soon to suit me, for now I'm started I'm more than anxious to get at my part of the war.

We have your man
Koltschoff — He does fair-
ly well, & if we land
you the town [illegible]
will be of service to me.
You can know what
a bustle and mess the
ship is in now, and
appreciate how we are
all [illegible] or less torn
up by it, but we hope
to simmer down de
our epsilon when once
at sea, [illegible]
you have given me the
privilege of taking that
Point Barrow native —
Know I can use him
if I can get [illegible] him.
Remember me

Kindly to Dr. Harris
and believe me
Yours very truly
R. A. Harris.

Mr. Hamlet has written this for me which is quite a new role for me to play but I have a great amount of writing to do. Good Bye and I hope to see you next summer.

Salt Lake City Utah
Nov 26th 1897

Rev Sheldon Jackson D.D.
Washington D.C.

My Dear Sir

I have contemplated a letter to you for some time, but delayed. knowing how many calls & interruptions you had — However I am constrained to address you in the matter of Alaska — I dont want a Map or your opinion of this or that, but in your position you should and will be consulted as to many of the appointments there. It is filling up rapidly & federal affairs will have to be attended to. by the aid of many more Agents of various kinds — I am not at all familiar with the probable changes or the needs, but merely want to say to you that, if there is any good position

I could fill creditably to myself & the Govt. I would be glad of an appointment. President McKinley is well acquainted with me — & I hold endorsements, of strength & reliability. I shall be glad of a line from you on this subject. — We are well & Mrs Parsons. She feels her age much now — Bertha is at Nat Park Seminary near you — to remain till Feby — Bell at Wellesley & both happy in their work — Dr McLiece is very cheery & I think encouraged in his work. — The 1st ch settles Dr Paden of Phil. last Sunday. I hope he will be prospered & blessed in the field — Mrs P. & Katherine wish to be kindly remembered to Mrs Jackson & the daughters — If not too much occupied Bertha would greatly pleased to see them at Forest Glenn — How is your special work in A.? — Very Truly

C. H. Parsons

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General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

1334 Chestnut Street,

REV. W. H. ROBERTS, D.D., LL.D.,
STATED CLERK.

Philadelphia, Nov. 29 *189*7

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.,

Washington, D.C.

My dear Dr. Jackson:-

Yours of Nov. 27 is at hand. I have forwarded to-day the map to your address. The Postoffice address of Elder H.J.Morrison is Richland Centre, Wisconsin.

Cordially yours,

W. H. Roberts

Dear Dr. What date in Jan. or in Feb. can be fixed for the Com. on the Seventh Council. R.

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New York, November 29th, 1897.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D.,

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Bureau of Education.

My dear Dr. Jackson:

I am in receipt of your favor of 26th inst., enclosing one from Dr. S. E. Wishard recommending Miss M. Beekman as a proper person to take up the work laid down by Miss Perley. This matter will be brought to the attention of the Woman's Board at its next meeting. I can see only one difficulty in the way, and that is that Miss Beekman, after her serious illness, made a number of mistakes here in the East, but I trust that she has fully recovered, and that she would in the future made atonement for these failures.

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. V. G. Gambell, in which he asks if there is not some corner somewhere, where he might be placed during the year. If you succeed in securing a salary for Mr. Gambell, I think that we can arrange it so that after Mrs. Gambell's health is recovered, he can be assigned to some work in the States for the remainder of the year. This, doubtless, would make him feel a little better, in that he would not feel that he was on the Board as a pensioner, but that he was

rendering service for salary received.

Very sincerely yours,

Geo. P. Mapes